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Sir:

In response to the outstanding Official Action of June 13, 2007, in which a 3-month shortened statutory period for response was set to expire on September 13, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejection in view of the hereincontained arguments together with the claims as amended in the Supplemental Amendment filed in the present application on May 31, 2007

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this Response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this Response.